

N.C. 12 Update 9/27/2011

At the Rodanthe breach area, crews continued constructing the sand embankments at the S-curves to the correct elevation for the roadway. Sandbag installation continued south of the Pea Island breach and at the s-curves. Crews continued to mobilize equipment in preparation of asphalt paving later this week, weather permitting.

At the temporary bridge location on Pea Island the pile driving template was placed at bent 1. Bents are substructures supporting each end of the bridge span. All sheet piling bulkheads, which are the retaining walls at each end of the bridge, have been installed. An additional 52 feet of the bridge truss was assembled and the bridge was launched another 90 feet to the south.

Carolina Bridge Co. called in an additional night crew to help make up some of the lost time due to the rain. Strong thunderstorms are moving through the area today and are limiting work. The weather forecast is looking more favorable tonight.

Watch the video below showing how NCDOT is working to install the temporary bridge.